



# A SPECIAL FILM EVENT: PROUD

Based on the book "*Proudly We Served: The Men of the USS Mason*"

During World War II, the Navy destroyer escort USS *Mason* (DE-529), carried an African-American crew. These sailors fought the Nazis at sea during the Battle of the Atlantic, and racism at home. The story of their heroic contributions are detailed in a new Hilfiger film with its inaugural showing here in Norfolk at Nauticus, the National Maritime Center. What makes *Proud* so compelling is its reliance on the actual words of the crew as told in Dr. Mary Pat Kelly's book *Proudly We Served: The Men of the USS Mason*. The Hampton Roads Naval Museum joins with Nauticus, the National Maritime Center, and the U.S. Navy League to bring this film to Hampton Roads. Movie tickets are FREE and does not require Nauticus admission fee. For movie tickets, call 322-2853. Accompanying activities will be held during the week, to include free tours on 25 and 26 February of the current USS Mason (DDG-87), an Aegis destroyer.

## Schedule of Events

For tickets, please call the Navy Region Public Affairs Office at (757) 322-2853. Limited tickets will be available for each showing and only tickets holders will be authorized to tour the USS MASON (DDG-87) on 25-26 February.

### Tuesday, February 24

Afternoon USS MASON (DDG-87) arrives Nauticus pier

### Wednesday, February 25

10:30 a.m. to Noon Tours of USS MASON (DDG-87) for movie ticket holders

Noon General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

### Thursday, February 26

10:30 a.m. to Noon Tours of USS MASON (DDG-87) for movie ticket holders

Noon General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tours of USS MASON (DDG-87) for movie ticket holders

3:30 p.m. General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

### Friday, February 27

Morning USS MASON (DDG-87) departs Nauticus pier

Noon General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

3:30 p.m. General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

### Saturday, 28 February

Noon General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

3:30 p.m. General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

### Sunday, 29 February

1200 General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre

1530 General showing of "Proud", Nauticus theatre